



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SERIAL NO: 09/900,675  
CONFIRM. NO.: 6696

APPLICANT: Ekstrom, Richard M.  
FILED: July 6, 2001

EXAMINER: Janvier, Jean D.  
ART UNIT: 3622

FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RETAINING MEMBERSHIP AT  
HEALTH CLUBS

DOCKET NO: 123/1  
CUSTOMER NO: 36829

-----  
**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

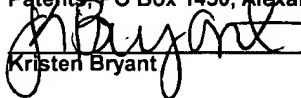
Sir:

This is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 19, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on October 2, 2008.

  
Kristen Bryant

October 2, 2008  
Date